

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 3, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of last week, 90 percent of the durum wheat crop has matured compared with 64 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Twenty-nine percent has been harvested compared with 28 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly excellent to good. Ninety percent of barley has matured compared with 77 percent last year, and 55 percent has been harvested compared with 33 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly fair to excellent. Ninety-six percent of the cotton planted has emerged compared with 86 percent last year and 12 percent has reached the squaring stage compared with 27 percent last year. Cotton conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Last week, Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and watermelons. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes and watermelons. Some other areas of Arizona shipped onions. In the North Central part of the State, remaining forage is in rapid decline as the winds continue to blow and soil moisture has been rapidly depleting. In the Northeastern and East Central part of the State, pasture and range conditions continue to decline because of hot temperatures and no precipitation. In the Northwestern part of the State, livestock water is being hauled to tanks, as heat and winds deplete soil moisture. In the Southeastern part of the State, farmers have been planting crops avoiding acres that were determined to have non-decreed water rights. Many ranchers are continuing to haul water and sell off older livestock from their herd due to the extremely dry conditions. In the South Central part of the State, extreme drought has been affecting crop and range conditions. In general, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor to poor. For the week ending on June 3rd, only Kayenta reported significant precipitation at 0.01 inches. All but 8 of the 48 reporting weather stations reported above normal temperatures. The highest temperature during the week was 112 degrees at Mohave and the lowest was 34 degrees at Grand Canyon.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Mature.....	90	84	77	NA
Harvested	55	46	33	32
Cotton				
Emerged.....	96	94	86	NA
Squaring.....	12	6	27	19
Durum wheat				
Mature.....	90	82	64	NA
Harvested	29	22	28	21

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	4	8	NA
Short.....	17	19	10	NA
Adequate.....	75	74	82	NA
Surplus.....	4	3	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	3	3	6	NA
Short.....	18	19	9	NA
Adequate.....	75	74	85	NA
Surplus.....	4	4	--	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	5	4
Poor.....	3	2	5	2
Fair.....	19	20	20	16
Good.....	46	52	30	40
Excellent.....	32	26	40	38
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	4	1
Poor.....	7	6	5	1
Fair.....	40	39	22	26
Good.....	23	32	44	47
Excellent.....	30	23	25	25
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	2	2	--	--
Fair.....	52	52	5	16
Good.....	40	43	80	58
Excellent.....	6	3	15	25
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	--
Fair.....	21	26	10	12
Good.....	37	30	70	59
Excellent.....	42	44	20	29
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	69	61	--	18
Poor.....	25	24	22	23
Fair.....	4	11	25	30
Good.....	2	4	38	25
Excellent.....	--	--	15	4

NA – not available

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Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2018/AZ-Weather-06032018.pdf

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